



## **BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**

October 6, 2020

3:30pm-6:00pm

## **OPEN SESSION AGENDA**

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Tuesday, Oct 6, 2020 3:30 pm | 1 hour | (UTC-04:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL		
OS-1006-01	INTRODUCTIONS	
	A. Board Members	
	B. Board Staff	
OS-1006-02	APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA	
	Board Action:	
	Acceptance of the October 6, 2020 Open Session Agenda.	

MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS		
OS-1006-03	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:	
OS-1006-04	BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:	
OS-1006-05	BOARD CHAIRS'S REPORT:	
OS-1006-06	OPEN SESSION MINUTES:	
	Board Action:	
	Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the June 15, 2020 meeting.	

DISCUSSION ITEMS			
OS-1006-07	POLICY REVISION		
	Board Action: To review the current telehealth guidelines as it relates to scope of practice and supervision of students, interns, audiology assistants, speech-language pathology assistants, and speech-language clinical fellows and determine if to adopt as emergency and proposed rule-making.		
	Background: In March of 2020, The Mayor and Director of the Health Department issued a Telehealth Waiver for Health Care Professionals in good standing with another		





state or jurisdiction permission to provide telehealth services to residents residing in the District of Columbia due to the current COVID-19 Pandemic social distancing efforts of reducing the spread of the virus.

During the June meeting, the Board voted to have the Board attorney draft a policy statement regarding the tele-supervision and to reduce the amount of continuing education that would be required during the upcoming renewals.

Senior leadership has requested that all policies that make changes to the current regulations be done through emergency/proposed rulemaking.

The Board's possible options are as follows:

- Take out the in-person requirements entirely.
- Not take out the in-person requirements but leave room for them to suspend the in-person requirement under certain circumstances (limiting emergency situations or allowing the Board to use their discretion).

MOTION TO ADJORN		
OS-1006-08	MOTION TO CLOSE	
	Board Action:  To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).	
	Background: Upon conclusion of the open session meeting and pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.	
OS-1006-09	MOTION TO ADJOURN	
	Board Action:	
	To adjourn the meeting.	
	Background:  At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open	
	At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.	





This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for December 21, 2020

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